



MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Goodbye Joe Timber Sale #30-084838 and attached Forest Practice Application No. 2610260 is a two unit variable retention harvest (VRH) encompassing 76 acres; excluding existing roads and leave tree areas the net harvest acreage is 74. Approximately 2,166 MBF of timber will be removed with this timber sale proposal. Approximately 2,370 feet of construction and 55,613 feet of pre-haul maintenance are planned in conjuncture with this proposal.

Description of mitigation: The following Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) procedures apply:

Northern Spotted Owl: (Procedure PR-14-004-120) This proposal is outside known owl management areas, and is in 57-67 year-old timber not considered to be habitat.

Marbled Murrelet: (Procedure PR-14-004-320) There are no occupied marbled murrelet sites in the proposal area and the South Coast murrelet model identifies this proposal area as non-marbled murrelet habitat.

Riparian and Wetland Management Zones (RMZ/WMZ): (Procedure PR-14-004-150)
All streams and wetlands adjacent to or within this sale meet or exceed the HCP required buffers.

- 6 -Type 3 streams protected with an average 145-foot RMZ.
- 3-Type 5 streams are protected with a 30-foot equipment limitation zone.
- 2- Forested wetlands greater than 1 acre protected with a 145' average buffer.

*No harvest will occur within RMZ/WMZ

Slope Stability: (Procedure PR-14-004-050) There are no unstable slopes within or directly adjacent to the proposed sale area.

Retention Trees: (Procedure PR-14-006-090)
Eight trees per acre, totaling 592 trees, were retained and are arranged both individually and in aggregates throughout the units. An effort was made to identify and mark all fire-scarred trees, and other large, structurally unique trees.

Roads: Road construction and maintenance activities will be in compliance with the HCP and current Forest Practices regulations. The work detailed in the road plan has been designed to improve surfacing on the haul roads, and provide for better drainage by installing additional, and replacing inadequate, culverts that will divert storm water onto stable forest floor. Soils exposed during road construction activities will be protected from erosion by grass seeding and mulching with hay.

Proponent: Department of Natural Resources – Olympic Region

Location of proposal, including street address, if any:

This proposed timber sale is located 5 road miles east of Moclips, Washington off the Aloha B-line road system. It is located in parts of Section 12 T20N, R12W, W.M.

Lead agency: Department of Natural Resources

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

☐ There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.

☒ This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from November 5, 2009. Comments must be submitted by November 19, 2009

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There is no agency SEPA appeal.
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